In a further variant of the invention, the substrate **14** material is selected from the group comprising: wood, particleboard, chipboard, plastic, metal and cellular materials. In yet a further variant, the veneer **38** material is selected from the group comprising: wood, burl wood, plastic and metal.

In another variant, as illustrated in **Figure 3**, the means **54** for applying pressure **58** to the top surface **42** of the veneer **38** to conform it to the substrate **14** includes an airtight, flexible container **74**. The flexible container **74** has a sealable opening **78** sized and shaped to admit the substrate **14** with the veneer **38** located upon it. Means **82** are provided for evacuating the air **86** from the container **74**. When the substrate **14** with the veneer **38** located upon it is inserted into the container **74**, the container **74** sealed, and the air **86** evacuated from the container **74**, atmospheric pressure **90** will conform the veneer **38** to the upper surface **18** of the substrate **14**.

A method, as illustrated in **Figure 3**, for laminating three-dimensional surfaces **94** includes the following steps. Providing a substrate **14**. The substrate **14** is formed of rigid material and has an upper surface **18**, a lower surface **22** and a first perimeter **26**. Forming three-dimensional features **34** commencing at the upper surface **18** of the substrate **14**. The three-dimensional features **34** extend downwardly toward the lower surface **22**. Providing a veneer **38**. The veneer **38** is formed of thin, resilient material and has a top surface **42** and a bottom surface **46**. Applying glue **50** to the bottom surface **46** of the veneer **38** that is suitable for adhering the veneer **38** to the substrate **14**. Positioning the veneer **38** upon the substrate **14**. Applying pressure **58** to the top surface **42** of the veneer **38** to conform the veneer **38** to the substrate **14**. When the glue **50** has dried, the veneer **38** will be adhered to the upper

surface **18** of the substrate **14** and will reflect the three-dimensional features **34** of the substrate **14**.

The apparatus **10** and method **94** for laminating three-dimensional surfaces has been described with reference to particular embodiments. Other modifications and enhancements can be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the claims that follow.